

(NEPA), the Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), will prepare a Feasibility Report and EIS comprehensively evaluating flood-risk management (FRM) needs and opportunities in the upper Susquehanna River Basin in New York.

**DATES:** The public scoping meeting dates are:

1. November 21, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the Hubbard Auditorium of the Tioga County Office Building.

2. November 22, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Town of Chenango Community Meeting Room.

3. November 30, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Village of Sidney.

**ADDRESSES:** Two scoping meetings will be held in the Village of Owego on Monday, November 21, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the Hubbard Auditorium of the Tioga County Office Building, 56 Main Street. Two scoping meetings will be held in the Town of Chenango on Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Town of Chenango Community Meeting Room at 1529 Upper Front Street (NY Route 12). One meeting will be held on November 30, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Village of Sidney in the Memorial Public Library located at 8 River Street.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions about the proposed scoping meetings, requests to be placed on the project information distribution list, information requests or written comments on the scope of the EIS and the comprehensive FRM study can be addressed to Mr. David W. Robbins, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CENAB-PL-P, 10 S. Howard Street, Baltimore, MD 21201, telephone 410-962-0685; email address: [UpperSRBStudy@usace.army.mil](mailto:UpperSRBStudy@usace.army.mil). Please contact me if you wish to speak at the meetings or should you have special needs (sign language interpreters, access needs) at the above address. Information about the study, including public scoping meetings, is available at the study Web site [http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/USRB\\_Feasibility\\_Study/](http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/USRB_Feasibility_Study/).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Notice initiates formal scoping for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), provides information on the nature of the proposed Project, invites participation in the EIS process, and identifies potential environmental effects to be considered. It also invites comments from interested members of the public, tribes, and agencies on the scope of the EIS and announces upcoming public scoping meetings. Comments should address (1) feasible

alternatives that may better achieve the Project's need and purposes with fewer adverse impacts and (2) any significant environmental impacts relating to the alternatives.

Scoping meeting information will be posted online by Baltimore District via Web site postings and social media. Meeting information will be provided electronically via the study's Web page and in printed form to local libraries, government offices, as well as mailed to interested public.

For all meetings, staff will be available to answer questions. All interested parties are invited to speak at the public meetings. The public scoping period will begin on the date of publication of this Notice and will continue through 30 days following the last public scoping meeting.

The study was authorized by a Resolution of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, on 24 September, 2008. The upper Susquehanna Basin includes the portions of Tioga, Broome, Chenango, Cortland, Otsego, Delaware, Schoharie, Herkimer, Oneida, Madison, Onondaga, Tompkins, Schuyler, and Chemung Counties in the Susquehanna River Watershed of New York upstream of the Chemung River confluence near Waverly. The upper Susquehanna River Basin repeatedly experiences flooding damages, with recent notable events occurring in 2006 and 2011. USACE is undertaking the FRM study in partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

USACE and NYSDEC are seeking public input to identify areas with flooding concerns which may be of interest to address in the context of the study, and learn of area-specific considerations important in formulating any FRM plans. Study efforts will be coordinated with the Federal Emergency Management Area (FEMA), the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), as well as other Federal and state agencies and local governments.

An initial conceptual effort will be completed using existing information to identify areas of the basin that currently do not have FRM infrastructure in place and screen these areas for FRM needs and opportunities. The study will evaluate the level of FRM currently provided by existing FRM infrastructure under current conditions and projected future conditions. Within the study area, there are 20 existing USACE FRM projects, as well as other non-Federal FRM projects. The study will investigate FRM strategies to reduce flood risk, as well as reduce residual risk in areas with existing FRM infrastructure.

Structural and non-structural FRM will be considered. Hydrologic and hydraulic modeling will be developed for the majority of the Susquehanna River main stem and major tributaries in the basin to aid plan formulation.

The study will be conducted in compliance with applicable federal laws including the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Air Act, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and the Farmland Protection Policy Act. All appropriate compliance documentation will be obtained and included as part of the EIS. It is currently anticipated that the study will take three years and may lead to the implementation of one or more FRM projects. The EIS is expected to be publicly released in Spring 2018.

**David W. Robbins,**

*Acting Chief, Civil Project Development Branch, Planning Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### **Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Northwest Training and Testing Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy (DoN), after carefully weighing the strategic, operational, and environmental consequences of the proposed action, announces its decision to continue and enhance training activities as identified in Alternative 1 in the Northwest Training and Testing Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement. This alternative includes adjustments to existing training and testing activities, new training and testing activities to support future requirements, and activities not previously analyzed, such as pierside sonar maintenance and testing. Implementation of Alternative 1 will enable the DoN to achieve the levels of operational readiness required under Section 5062 Title 10 U.S.C. without resulting in significant environmental impacts.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The complete text of the Record of Decision is available at <http://nwtteis.com>. Single copies of the Record of Decision are available upon request by contacting:

NWTT EIS/OEIS Project Manager, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Northwest, 1101 Tautog Circle, Suite 203, Silverdale, Washington, 98315–1101.

Dated: October 31, 2016.

**C. Mora,**

*Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

**AGENCY:** Office of Science, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially-closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for a partially-closed meeting of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST), and describes the functions of the Council. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** November 18, 2016 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC in the Lecture Room.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Information regarding the meeting agenda, time, location, and how to register for the meeting is available on the PCAST Web site at: <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>. A live video webcast and an archive of the webcast after the event are expected to be available at <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>. The archived video will be available within one week of the meeting. Questions about the meeting should be directed to Ms. Jennifer Michael at [jmichael@ostp.eop.gov](mailto:jmichael@ostp.eop.gov), (202) 456–4444. Please note that public seating for this meeting is limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) is an advisory group of the nation's leading scientists and engineers, appointed by the President to augment the science and technology advice available to him from inside the White House, cabinet departments, and other Federal agencies. See the Executive Order at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>.

PCAST is consulted about and provides analyses and recommendations concerning a wide range of issues where understandings from the domains of science, technology, and innovation may bear on the policy choices before the President. PCAST is co-chaired by Dr. John P. Holdren, Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, The White House; and Dr. Eric S. Lander, President, Broad Institute of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard.

*Type of Meeting:* Open and Closed.

*Proposed Schedule and Agenda:* The President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) is scheduled to meet in open session on November 18, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Open Portion of Meeting:* During this open meeting, PCAST is scheduled to discuss its studies on drinking water science and technology and semiconductors. They will also hear from speakers who will remark on the National Nanotechnology Initiative and other science and technology topics. Additional information and the agenda, including any changes that arise, will be posted at the PCAST Web site at: <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>.

*Closed Portion of the Meeting:* PCAST may hold a closed meeting of approximately one hour with the President on November 18, 2016, which must take place in the White House for the President's scheduling convenience and to maintain Secret Service protection. This meeting will be closed to the public because such portion of the meeting is likely to disclose matters that are to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

*Public Comments:* It is the policy of the PCAST to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The PCAST expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements.

The public comment period for this meeting will take place on November 18, 2016 at a time specified in the meeting agenda posted on the PCAST Web site at <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>. This public comment period is designed only for substantive commentary on PCAST's work, not for business marketing purposes.

*Oral Comments:* To be considered for the public speaker list at the meeting, interested parties should register to speak at <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>.

*pcast*, no later than 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on November 14, 2016. Phone or email reservations will not be accepted. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per person, with a total public comment period of up to 15 minutes. If more speakers register than there is space available on the agenda, PCAST will randomly select speakers from among those who applied. Those not selected to present oral comments may always file written comments with the committee. Speakers are requested to bring at least 25 copies of their oral comments for distribution to the PCAST members.

*Written Comments:* Although written comments are accepted continuously, written comments should be submitted to PCAST no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on November 14, 2016 so that the comments may be made available to the PCAST members prior to this meeting for their consideration. Information regarding how to submit comments and documents to PCAST is available at <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast> in the section entitled "Connect with PCAST."

Please note that because PCAST operates under the provisions of FACA, all public comments and/or presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including being posted on the PCAST Web site.

*Meeting Accommodations:* Individuals requiring special accommodation to access this public meeting should contact Ms. Jennifer Michael at least ten business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 1, 2016.

**LaTanya R. Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER17–204–000]

#### Quantum Power Corp; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Quantum Power Corp's application for market-based rate authority, with an